

MAD MEN AT THE FRONT.

Epidemic of Mania Among Russian Soldiers.

London, Oct. 25.—The Moscow press continues to publish painful stories of lunacy and mania at the front. The Sibirsky Vestnik prints the following story of a soldier driven mad by the horror:

"Into the Tomsk municipal hospital is carried a wounded man of middle age. He is covered with knife wounds, one in the chest, another in the side and two in the stomach, the latter so deep his internal organs are visible. Paying no attention to his injuries he continues to relate triumphantly how he has destroyed a whole Japanese corps. Another madman thinks he is the czar, and he bewails decorations of tin foil on his keeper. During the earlier fighting around Liao Yang, two lunatics escaped and went over to the Japanese. They were sent back next morning under the white flag."

Pass Amended Divorce Canon.

Boston, Mass., Oct. 25.—The Episcopal convention by a resolution today referred the matter of the election of a presiding bishop to the next general convention. The vexing divorce canon, as amended by the house of bishops, was taken up by the house deputies, and passed without debate.

Actor Weds Manager's Widow.

London, Oct. 25.—Edward Terry, the actor, today was married to the widow of the late theatrical manager, Augustus Harris.

SEPTIC TANK FOR WEST END SCHOOL

NO SEWER CONNECTIONS WILL BE MADE THERE.

Tank for the Receptacle of Sewage Will Be Constructed—No Acids Are Used, But Sewage Is Destroyed By Spontaneous Gases Generated in Air-Tight Vault—Has Been Tested at Salem and La Grande and Is a Perfect System.

No connection with the sewer will be made at the new west end school building. Instead a septic tank will be used to destroy the sewage. Septic tanks are in use in all the public buildings at Salem and said to be more satisfactory than sewers. La Grande has also taken up the tank system and found it to be perfect. No acids or chemicals are used in the operation of a septic tank. It consists of an air-tight receptacle, placed several feet under ground. Into this the sewage is drained. The decomposing matter generates a gas that destroys it and when the tank is emptied, about once in six weeks, the poison is gone.

"Until the sewer system is extended to the west end," said Dr. C. J. Smith, a member of the school board, "we will use the septic tank. It means a saving of about \$1000 to the district."

"Work on the new building is progressing rather slowly just at present, owing to lack of materials. The lumber mills are behind in their orders and the terra cotta has not all arrived."

LUMBER TRADE DULL.

Joseph McLaughlin, of Gardane, Has Not Operated His Mill This Year.

Joseph McLaughlin, of Gardane, is in town. Mr. McLaughlin reports the native lumber trade as duller than it has been in several years. When the season opened last spring he had on hand 189,000 feet of the sawing of the summer of 1903 of his Gardane sawmill. So he decided not to saw until this old stock was worked off, with the result that he has considerable of it still on hand and has not seen a board this summer.

Mr. McLaughlin accounts for this by the claim that the season of 1902 being altogether a phenomenal year for the taking of claims and the building of cabins and the more unpretentious class of homes in the mountains, that the present is a time of natural reaction from that state of affairs that it will take perhaps several years to outgrow.

Mr. McLaughlin reports that the abundant rains of the past six weeks have stimulated every phase of the stock business—sheep and cattle and horses are in fine flesh and not a case of a sick animal anywhere in the mountains of the southwestern part of the county, so far as he knows. The pasturage is phenomenally heavy for this time of the year, and all stock will enter the winter proper so fat that a minimum of feed will be needed during the winter.

The number of timber sleepers on the railways of the world is calculated to be about 1,494,000,000, and their value is estimated at about \$900,000,000. This item makes a serious drain on the timber supplies of the world.

BALTIC FLEET'S MISTAKE WILL BE FULLY REPAIRED

England Demands Full Apology, Pay for All Damages and Punishment of the Guilty Officers.

No Demonstration Against the Russian Ambassador—Conference in London Held in Offices of Foreign Mission to Prevent Any Show of Hostility—Russian Paper Declares It Was a Mistake and That It Should Be Made Right at Once.

London, Oct. 25.—It is stated this morning that the sentiment growing out of the North Sea incident has already been adjusted in principle. Russia has agreed to make every amends within reason. She desires, however, to make a full report.

Balfour arrived in London early this morning and hurried to his office and answered telegrams which had collected. Then he conferred with Lansdowne and a little later drove to Buckingham Palace, where he had an audience with the king.

After the visit with the king he left for Newmarket. The latter fact indicates that the crisis has passed the acute stage, as he otherwise would have remained in London.

An immense crowd gathered at the Liverpool station and bade his majesty farewell. They cheered wildly and shouted "Good Old Teddy," as the king pulled out. The king repeatedly doffed his hat in acknowledgment.

FOR BEING OBSCENE.

Italian Editor Gets Two Years for Sending Improper Stuff Through Mail.

Pueblo, Col., Oct. 25.—Charles De-moilli, former editor of the Italian paper, Lavatore, the official organ of the United Mine Workers, was sentenced in the federal court today to two years for sending obscene matter through the mails.

The special article was one attacking the character of Mrs. Lionel Ross, of Ambury, editor of "Polly Pry," a Denver magazine, which opposed the coal strikers.

Russians Hoped For Recall.

Tokio, Oct. 25.—The Fuji Shimpo, the only paper commenting on the North Sea incident, suggests that the Russian squadron, in firing on the trawlers, desired a pretext for recall from the hazardous journey to the Far East.

Russia Is Notified.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 25.—The British ambassador will be received this afternoon by Foreign Minister Lansdowne and will present his instructions.

This morning Captain Calthorpe, British naval attaché, accompanied by the embassy chasseur, both in full uniform, proceeded to the Russian admiralty and formally notified the minister of marine that a British fishing fleet may be found on the Spanish coast, which was interpreted as a strong hint. A formal report from Admiral Rejestyevsky is expected to be filed on the arrival of the flagship at Vigo, Spain.

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Stole Money in Transit.

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Crow and Passengers Saved.

San Juan, Oct. 25.—Forty passengers and crew of the steamship Kelvito, which was abandoned in the open sea, two days after she left New York, October 5, were rescued by the schooner Cordelia. For 17 days they suffered hardships in open boats.

LOS ANGELES AIRSHIP IS SUCCESSFUL

St. Louis, Oct. 25.—The visitors at the fair were surprised this afternoon by the sudden appearance of the airship of T. C. Baldwin, of Los Angeles, over the transportation building at a height of 8000 feet.

On its course from the aeronautic ground to the main part of the ex-

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Russia Will Make Reparation.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 25.—At a meeting of the foreign office this afternoon, it was decided to prepare a semi-official note to be addressed to the British government, expressing regret over the North Sea incident, and the willingness of the Russian government to make reparation. The czar hopes this will mollify Great Britain and pave the way for a diplomatic adjustment.

Russian Paper Takes Blame.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 25.—Novoye Vremya, referring to the North Sea affair today, says: "It was our own fault and every means should be taken to repair the injury."

Queen Gives to the Widows.

London, Oct. 25.—Queen Alexandra has sent to the mayor of Hull 100 pounds for the widows and children of the fishermen "who lost their lives in the recent disaster." Her majesty, in a message, asks for the progress of the wounded.

England's Three Demands.

London, Oct. 25.—It is now understood that England's note to Russia contained three demands: An apology by the Russian government, adequate compensation for damages inflicted, and immediate inquiry by St. Petersburg authorities, to ascertain who the guilty officers are and impose punishment on them.

Baltic Fleet at Vigo, Spain.

Vigo, Spain, Oct. 25.—Five Russian cruisers have arrived here, four others have reached Arlosa, awaiting the arrival of the Baltic fleet. The Spanish warships left Ferrel for Estapa and Arlosa to preserve the neutrality regulations.

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While at an elevation of 1000 feet the gasoline motor suddenly stopped. The ship drifted eastward, and about 3 o'clock alighted in the southern part of East St. Louis. A. R. Knaben-shue was the aeronaut.

COMMERCIAL CONGRESS.

Trans-Mississippi Delegates Assemble in St. Louis in Annual Session.

St. Louis, Oct. 25.—The Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress began its 15th annual session this morning in the Hall of Congress at the World's fair. Thomas Richardson of Portland, Ore., chairman of the executive committee called the meeting to order.

Addresses of welcome were made by Governor Dockery, Mayor Wells, and President Francis, and were responded to by vice-presidents of the congress representing the states and territories.

President R. C. Kern of the congress, delivered an address. This afternoon the speakers are James R. Garfield of Ohio, Alexander Revell of Chicago, Col. Fred Fleming of Kansas City.

PEACE CONGRESS FARCE.

Note Sent Out Inquiring as to Most Acceptable Time and Place of the Meeting.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 25.—A circular note of instruction was dispatched by the state department today to the diplomatic representatives of the United States, directing them to sound the various governments in regard to the time of holding the next peace congress and ascertaining whether The Hague would be acceptable as a place of meeting.

BROWNELL COMES TO PENDLETON

FIRST AND ONLY YCAM.

PAIGN RALLY NEXT SATURDAY.

George C. Brownell of Oregon City Will Address Voters on Republican Issues—Judge James A. Fee, Candidate for Presidential Elector Will Probably Address the Meeting—Campaign Is Exceedingly Quiet—No Further Arrangements Made for Speeches During the Campaign.

There will be a gathering of the republican clans in Pendleton next Saturday night. State Senator George C. Brownell of Clackamas county, one of the prominent campaigners of the state will be present as the principal orator.

Arrangements for the rally have not been completed. County Chairman Frank Carl of this city, has received word that Brownell would be present, but the place of meeting has not been selected. Judge James A. Fee of Pendleton, one of the presidential electors for Oregon, will be invited to be present and also address the gathering.

The coming of Brownell will mark the first and perhaps the only political meeting of a public nature held in Pendleton or Umatilla county this fall.

INQUIRES OF ASSESSMENT.

Union County's Assessor Experiencing Difficulty in Railroad Valuation.

The county court and the assessor of Union county are facing the same difficulty with the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company that was experienced in making the assessment in Umatilla county. Exceptions to the assessment of \$8000 a mile has been taken by the railroad in Union county and Assessor J. H. Morton has written to Assessor C. P. Strain asking for a copy of the complaint made by the O. R. & N. in Umatilla. The letter follows:

Union, Oregon, Oct. 24.—C. P. Strain, Pendleton, Ore.—Dear Sir: The Oregon Railroad & Navigation Co. is taking exceptions to our assessment of \$8000 per mile, for 1904.

I understand that their fight in Umatilla county is solely on technical grounds, and we would like to have you tell us the nature of the objections, that we may avoid them if possible. We made a very careful assessment this year, yet we would like to be as nearly correct as possible.

If you will give us a brief outline of the complaint, I assure you that it will be appreciated.

Thanking you in advance for this information, I am respectfully,

J. H. MORTON,
County Assessor.

PHOTOGRAPHED THE TURKEYS.

Mayor Moorhouse Returned From Columbia River Trip.

Major Lee Moorhouse returned this morning from a photographing expedition to the Switzer ranch beyond the Columbia, where he secured a number of pictures of the famous Mottinger turkey ranch. There are more than 600 young turkeys in the herd. They are being fattened for the Thanksgiving market and Mrs. George H. Mottinger, their owner, expects to realize a snug sum from their sale.

The flock of turkeys is said to be the largest in the Northwest. They were placed on the ranch early in the summer and a man was employed, whose exclusive duties are to care for them.

Wade Residence Sold.

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Taylor Residence Sold.

T. C. Taylor has sold to Colonel J. H. Raley his residence on College street, opposite the court house, and will give possession between November 1 and 10. The consideration is not stated. Mr. Taylor and family will make their home at a hotel during the winter, as they regard it as too late in the season to safely begin building operations with any assurance of continuing them uninterrupted until completed.

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CARS COLLIDE IN DENSE FOG

Seattle Trolleys Crash Together Head On, Injuring Twenty People.

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Outbound Car Was 10 Minutes Late and Tried to Make the Regular Meeting Place—Inbound Car Also Tried to Make One More Station in Blinding Fog—Crash Together Going Thirty Miles an Hour—Twenty People Are Seriously Injured and Cole Will Die—Gross Carelessness Charged.

Seattle, Oct. 25.—Twenty were injured, one fatally, in a head-on collision in a dense fog, on the Seattle trolley line this morning.

The accident occurred at 8:40. The cars were to meet at a switch half a mile beyond where the accident occurred. The outbound car, 10 minutes late in starting, tried to make up the time. The inbound car tried to make the next switch, and both were running 30 miles per hour.

A. Cole, a real estate man, is fatally hurt. Motorman Tom Berg, John Perkypyle, Roadmaster Dave Sullivan, F. D. Clever, John Colella, W. F. Boyd, the two Wagner girls, are severely injured and others slightly.

It is reported later that one of the Wagner girls, aged 16, will die from her injuries. She was pinned between two seats in the front end of the car. W. F. Boyd is also thought to be fatally injured. Gross carelessness on the part of both motormen is charged.

PRUNE CROP SHORT.

Northwest Harvest Will Be But 30 to 40 Per Cent of Usual Crop.

There are still one or two dryers running in the prune district, it is said, but they will likely be done in a day or two, and then the prune dryers will be housed again until next year, says the Salem Statesman.

The crop is coming very rapidly, according to Mr. Gile, of the Willamette Valley Association, but is not moving off very fast. The crop when it is all in will be just about as estimated heretofore, about 25 or 30 per cent of the crop of last year, which for the entire Northwest amounted to about 30,000,000 pounds. Thus there will be from 7,500,000 to 9,000,000 pounds this year in the Northwest. If the market depended upon the prunes of the Pacific coast this year, prices would be very high, but fortunately, this is not the situation, and a good deal of the market condition depends entirely upon the enormous crops in Europe. Especially are the German and French crops reported as being very heavy.

The one thing that saves the prune growers of the Pacific Northwest is the fact that they have at least 75 per cent of 30-40s and 40-50s in their crop of this year. They will, of course, realize the best prices that are going under the circumstances.

ALLOTTE SEES DIVORCE.

Mary Flush Decides That Two Months Wedlock Is Enough.

Two months of married life is sufficient for Mary Flush, sometimes called "Mary Flush," and, as she alleges, also a few vile names. The Flushes or Frushes are allottees of the Umatilla reservation. The wife instituted action for divorce this afternoon in the state circuit court.

Mary Bonapier was her maiden name and she desires that the court restore it. She married Charles Flush, sometimes called Charles Frush, August 5, 1904. Since then the woman declares he has called her vile names, and otherwise abused her. One time it is said, the husband threw all his wife's clothing into the street.

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